GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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STEEL UNDER ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES ACT
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to bring steel under Essential Commodities Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a)to(c) : Steel was taken out of the purview of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in February, 2007. Suggestions have been received from different quarters to re-classify steel under the Act. However, no formal decision has been taken in this regard till date.